Statement

Proposals received from the Districts of Kurukshetra and Yamunanagar and the recommendatio made by Screening Committee

Sl. No.	Name of Applicant	Location	Recommendations made by the Screening Committee
Distt. Yamunanagar			
1.	Shri T.P. Bansal . . .	Kotra Khas	The Screening Committee recommended rejection of this application.
2.	M/s Horizon Agro Chem. Ltd. .	Kot, Tehsil Chachrauli	The Screening Committee recommended grant of letter of intent.
Distt. Kurukshetra			
1.	ISGEC Covema Plastics Ltd. .	Pipli	The Screening Committee recommended rejection of this application.
2.	Shri U.S. Bhartiya . . .	Jajharpur	Do.
3.	Shri R.K. Gupta . . .	Do.	Do.
4.	Shri G.R. Goenka . . .	Balsua	Do.
5.	M/s The Haryana State Fedn. of Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd.	Murtzapur	Application was withdrawn by the State Govt. during the Screening Committee meeting.

Rural godowns in Orissa

1587. **SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK:** Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rural godowns are very inadequate in a backward state like Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken to set up additional number of Rural godowons in Orissa and other backward states;

(c) the steps so far taken in that regard in the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(d) the number of rural godown proposed to be set up in that plan period; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (e) The storage facilities at taluka/block/village level are provided by cooperatives under the purview of the Ministry of Agriculture and the State Governments. Under this scheme National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) provides assistance for constrution of ruarl godowns by primary agricultural cooperatives working at village level and marketing cooperatives functioning at Mandi, district, regional, state and national levels in the country. The storage capacity sanctioned/completed as on 31.3.1993 is as under:—

	godowns to be constructed		godowns constructed	
	Number	Capacity	Number	Capacity
		(in lakh tonnes)		(in lakh tonnes)
All India	63946	136.05	61519	130.14
Orissa	2587	4.91	2503	4.41

Ministry of Rural Development had also a centrally sponsored scheme under which assistance used to be given to State Governments/Union Territories in the form of subsidy for construction of rural godowns. This scheme was transferred to State Governments/Union Territories w.e.f. 1-4-1992. The central financial assistance provided under this scheme for setting up of rural godowns is as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

	Financial assistance released	No. of godowns approved	Capacity (in lakh tonnes)
All India	43.80	4825	28.442
Orissa	0.81	137	0.748

Licences issued for sugar mills

1588. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of licences issued for sugar mills since the last one year;

(b) the number of sugar mills State-wise for which licences wide issued;

(c) how many of them are in public sector, private sector or joint sector separately; and

(d) by when the delicensing process of sugar mills will commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c) No letter of intent has been issued for setting up of new sugar mills in the country during the last sugar year 1992-93 (October-September). However, 74 letters of intent have been issued during the current 1993-94 sugar year till 30.6.1994. A statement showing the State-wise and Sector-wise number of letters of intent issued is enclosed (see below).

(d) The present licensing policy of sugar mills, including the option of delicensing, is under examination.

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State-wise and Sector-wise details of 74 letters of intent issued during 1993-94 Sugar Season.

(As on 30-6-1994)

Sl. No	State	No. of Letters of Intent issued			
		Public	Private	Cooperative	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Haryana	1	2	1	4
2.	Uttar Pradesh	..	24	1	25
3.	Madhya Pradesh	..	2	..	2
4.	Gujarat	..	..	2	2
5.	Maharashtra	..	..	17	17